a. CHEMICAL WASTE MANAGEMENT, INC., CLASS II/III LANDFILL B-19, BIOREACTOR AND CONTROL UNIT, CLASS II/III LANDFILL B-17, KETTLEMAN HILLS FACILITY, KINGS COUNTY

Chemical Waste Management, Inc. a wholly-owned subsidiary of Waste Management, Inc. of Texas, owns and operates the Kettleman Hills Facility in Kings County, California. The facility is regulated by WDRs Order No. 98-058 that permits the discharge of hazardous waste to Class I waste management units and the discharge Class II designated and Class III municipal solid waste into a portion of Landfill B-19. The WDRs are being superceded and new WDRs are being proposed for consideration that would permit the addition of nonhazardous supplemental liquids to Landfill B-19 allowing a portion of the unit to be operated as a bioreactor; the construction and operation of new Class II/III Landfill B-17; and, the construction of a evapotranspirative cover system for closure of the landfills. As stated in the proposed Order, operation of Landfill B-19 as a bioreactor would only proceed after U.S. EPA approval of amended State Water Board Resolution No. 93-62. The new WDRs would only regulate the construction of new Landfill B-17, the operation of Class II/III Landfills B-17 and B-19, and their closure. The existing WDRs will continue to regulate the Class I hazardous waste management units. The new WDRs will ensure adequate municipal solid waste disposal capacity for the growing population in the region. The nearest surface water, the California Aqueduct, is about 3.5 miles east of the site at its closest point (JKD).